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SUBJECT: SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION  
IN AFRICAN CENTER FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES SMALL ARMS AND  
LIGHT WEAPONS WORKSHOP, 17-22 AUGUST, 2008

¶1. (SBU) Post requests the Department's assistance in screening the following Ethiopian citizen who has been nominated for USG-sponsored training, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Post has no derogatory information on this individual.

¶2. (SBU) This seminar is a regional follow on to the 2004 All-Africa Seminar on Small Arms and Light Weapons held in Uganda. The regional seminar will promote a better understanding of the threats that small arms and light weapons pose to broader issues of human security and development. Examine the factors that lead to the spread of small arms and light weapons. Design strategies and tools to curb the supply and demand of these weapons. Develop East African and Great Lake regional strategies for combating their proliferation and identify and share best practices.

¶3. (SBU) The name, occupation, date of birth, and place of birth of the proposed candidate is as follows:

Name: Yemane Gesesew Asnesa  
Occupation: Ethiopian National Focal Point on Small Arms,  
Federal Police, Deputy Commander  
Date of Birth: 14 July 1965  
Place of Birth: Shire, Tigray, Ethiopia

¶4. (U) Post appreciates Department's assistance.  
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